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All information listed in the Counseling & Career News is available in the Career Resource Center at Montville High School.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

www.montvilleschools.org/highschool/Guidance/Dates/index.html#Feb

- 1/30 Staff Development Day - 11:15 Dismissal
- 2/4 Music Boosters Meeting - 7 PM Café
- 2/7 MHS Open House for 8th Grade Students
- 2/11 Alumni Assoc. Meeting - 7 PM Career Center
- 2/18-19 Presidents Day - No School

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

UNIVERSITY PROGRAMS

OPEN HOUSE/COLLEGE FAIRS/ WORKSHOPS

COLLEGE TESTING PROGRAMS

- SAT Reg. 1/29/08 for 3/1/08 Test
- ACT Reg. 3/7/08 for 4/12/08 Test

COLLEGE VISITATION SCHEDULE

- 2/7 10:30 Air National Guard
- 2/26 10:30 US Marines

NEW WEB PAGES

Check out the New Web Pages off of the Montville High School Main Page

www.montvilleschools.org/highschool

- MHS NEWS – links and daily announcement of events
- PARENT ADVISORY GROUP (PAG) (Click on Newsletters) – cornerstone of shared decision-making, school improvement, and student and parent awareness at Montville High School
- AFTER HIGH SCHOOL – Scholarship information for HS graduates. (Click on Newsletters / Counseling & Career News)

DEADLINES - WHY ARE THEY THERE?

When filling out applications pay close attention to the **Deadline Dates**. That is the date that the application has to be at the organization you are applying to. That is not the date to give it to your counselor!!

So give yourself enough time to gather and prepare your applications for mailing. And don't forget to give yourself time to mail the application.



Sign-up today to receive the MHS Counseling & Career Scholarship Newsletter by E-mail!!!!
Send an E-mail to: dingoglia@montvilleschools.org & type CCNews in the subject line.

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INFORMATION TO SHARE

ATTENTION SENIORS

Any senior interested in attending the New England Institute of technology should see Dr. Phillips by Friday, Feb 8.

New Generations Conference

For today's Youth- Tomorrow's Leaders

This conference is designed to address personal concern that face high school students. Through open door and stimulating discussion in a small group atmosphere, students can discuss their concerns with others, with facilitation done by trained high school students.

When: Sat, March 8, 2008 - 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Where: Choate-Rosemary Hall, Wallingford, CT – FREE

Interested students should see Dr. Phillips As soon as possible for additional information

Isaac Emerson Palmer Scholarship

Deadline: Friday, March 28, 2008

ALL MONTVILLE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS SHOULD APPLY FOR THE PALMER SCHOLARSHIP.

Townsend Palmer founded the Palmer Scholarship Fund in memory of his father, Isaac Emerson Palmer, a leading Montville industrialist in the mid-1800's. Each year many seniors interested in certain fields are offered scholarships through this program, and the scholarships may be renewed throughout college.

All students living in Montville planning to attend post-high school education full-time are eligible to apply for an Isaac Emerson Palmer Scholarship. Special consideration is given to those planning to seek practical education in technical institutions of higher learning and trade or technical schools.

The requirements for eligibility include:

- × Bona fide resident of the Town of Montville, Connecticut
- × Less than 25 years of age
- × A graduate of Montville High School or school of equal rank
- × Applying as a full-time student in a school of higher learning for practical education

Applications are available in the Career Resource Center and Main Office at Montville High School and Town of Montville-Mayor's Office.

Visit the March Web Page of the Counseling & Career News to download the application in Adobe PDF or Microsoft Word.

COLLEGE GOAL SUNDAY

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2008

<http://www.collegegoalsundayct.org>

College Goal Sunday (CGS) is a volunteer, charitable effort to assist low-income families and those who have no college-going tradition. Specifically, CGS helps families complete the universal application Free Application for Federal Student Aid form (The FAFSA) required to qualify for college financial aid nationwide.

On Sunday, Feb. 10, 2008, the Connecticut Association of Professional Financial Aid Administrators (CAPFAA) and the Connecticut Association of Equal Opportunity Program (CAEOP) will sponsor CGS at five sites in Connecticut

Between the hours of 1:30 PM and 4:00 PM, professional financial aid personnel will guide high school seniors and their family to complete and submit their FAFSA form online.

The sites are:

- × Capital Community College, Hartford, CT
- × Gateway Community College: Long Wharf Campus & North Haven Campus
- × Housatonic Community College, Bridgeport, CT
- × Norwalk Community College, Norwalk, CT
- × Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT
- × The New London Science & Technology Magnet High School, New London, CT

Additional information: <http://www.collegegoalsundayct.org>

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

www.montvilleschools.org/highschool/Guidance/News

FEBRUARY

2008 NFIB Young Entrepreneur Awards

Deadline: February 11, 2008

Amount: \$1,000

These awards are non-renewable and are not based on financial need. Scholarship recipients must enroll as full-time students in the fall of the year in which the scholarships are awarded and must continue in school for the entire academic year.

ELIGIBILITY:

- Graduating high school senior in spring of 2008
- Attending 2-, 4-year college or vocational/technical school in the US beginning the fall of 2008
- Demonstrated entrepreneurial spirit

Questions regarding the program: Chantel Bartlett, Program Manager - Young Entrepreneur Awards | NFIB Young Entrepreneur Foundation | 1201 F Street, NW - Suite 200, Washington, DC 20004 | Chantel.Bartlett@nfib.org | 202-314-2062 | www.NFIB.com/YEF

Liberty Bank Foundation Scholarship Program

Interested Students See Dr. Phillips by Feb. 14

MHS is invited to nominate a maximum of four (4) candidates for this award.

NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS:

- ✗ One scholarship in each of the 10 geographic areas.
 - ✗ Five geographic scholarships and
 - ✗ One scholarship for a student attending a vocational-technical high school.
- The scholarship program consists of fifteen four-year scholarships:
- ✗ \$2,000 for the first year of college; and \$1,000 for each year thereafter.
 - ✗ Students must maintain a 2.5 GPA and earn at least 24 credits each year to qualify for funding in the subsequent year.

These scholarships will be awarded on a competitive basis. Recipients will be chosen based on six criteria, ranked in the following order:

- ✗ Financial need
- ✗ Please note that the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) noted on the Student Aid Report (SAR) must not exceed \$10,000 unless there is an extraordinary circumstance.
- ✗ Academic Achievement
- ✗ Extracurricular and community service activities
- ✗ Teacher recommendations
- ✗ An essay of 500 to 1000 words written by the student on a topic of his/her choice

ASTHMA & ALLERGY FOUNDATION OF AMERICA NEW ENGLAND CHAPTER, INC.

Scholarship Essay Contest

Deadline: 2/15/08

Website: www.asthmaandallergies.org

GROWING UP WITH ASTHMA OR SEVER ALLERGIES:
CHALLENGES I FACED & HOW I MET THEM

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

All high school seniors who live in New England, (CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, VT) who have asthma or significant allergies, who plan to begin higher education after high school, who have attained a level of excellence in academic and/or extra-curricular activities.

HOW DO I ENTER THE COMPETITION AND SUBMIT AN ESSAY?

The application form must be completed by the student, personal physician, parent/guardian, and by the school principal/guidance counselor or teacher or coach.

HOW MUCH IS THE SCHOLARSHIP?

The winner will be chosen and will receive a \$1000 scholarship. In addition, applicants from geographically dispersed areas throughout New England will be awarded Honorable Mention. AAFA/NE reserves the right to change the number of scholarships awarded based on applications received.

DOWNLOAD APPLICATION:

http://www.asthmaandallergies.org/Articles/ScholarshipFORM_files/2008%20ScholarshipFORM.pdf

Best Buy Scholarships

www.bestbuy.com/scholarships

Deadline: 2/15/ Annually

AWARDS: of \$1,500 each.

The Best Buy Scholarship Program rewards students for their volunteer efforts and work experience in addition to academic achievements.

QUALIFIED APPLICANTS MUST:

- ✗ be a graduating high school senior living in the US or Puerto Rico.
- ✗ have a minimum high school GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale demonstrate commitment to and involvement in volunteer community service or work experience.
- ✗ plan to enroll in a full-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited two- or four-year college, university, or vocational-technical school in the United States or Puerto Rico no later than fall 2008.
- ✗ Applications must be submitted online

To apply now for a 2008 Best Buy Scholarship visit:

<https://bestbuy.scholarshipamerica.org/>

Best Buy Store Location Numbers:

Waterford CT (Store 549) | Manchester CT (Store 484)

<https://bestbuy.scholarshipamerica.org/register.php>

Get Answers to Frequently Asked Questions about Best Buy Scholarships.

<https://bestbuy.scholarshipamerica.org/faq.php>

Burger King Scholars Program

Deadline: February 15, 2008

ON-LINE APPLICATION (www.bkcom/scholars)

APPLICANTS MUST BE HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS WHO:

- Maintain a grade point average of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale
- Work part-time an average of 15 hours per week, 40 weeks per year
- Demonstrate participation in community service and/or co-curricular activities.
- Demonstrate financial need.
- Plan to enroll in an accredited two/or four-year college, university, or vocational/technical school by Fall of the application year.
- Please note that students DO NOT have to be employed at a BURGER KING® restaurant to be eligible for a scholarship. However, BURGER KING® employees may be eligible.

The following ACCESS KEY is required in order to complete your online application. ACCESS KEY: BKS

Questions or additional info: J.R. Simon at 615-320-3149 |

jrsimon@spaprog.com or Barby C. Dorado, Scholarship Programs Coordinator at 305-378-3186 | bdorado@whopper.com | www.bkcom/scholars

2008-2009 Capitol Scholarship

Deadline: Feb. 15

High school seniors meet the academic eligibility requirements of the Capitol Scholarship Program if they rank in the top 20% of their class OR if they have a combined score of 1800 or above on the SAT exams. All applicants must submit a 2008-2009 FAFSA by February 15, 2008.

Download application: www.ctdhe.org

<http://www.ctdhe.org/SFA/pdfs/CSPApplication.pdf>

Governor's Coalition for Youth with Disabilities

Deadline: February 15, 2008

WHAT IS THE OBJECTIVE OF THE GCYD SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM?

To recognize outstanding achievements of high school seniors with disabilities and to provide them with financial assistance to further their education and facilitate their career goals.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY?

All high school seniors who meet the eligibility requirements may apply.

Candidates must be graduating students who:

- ✗ are residents of Connecticut
- ✗ have a disability as defined by the Special Education Law or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
- ✗ have demonstrated responsibility and good character
- ✗ attend a post-secondary school or training program
- ✗ show promise for a successful career.

HOW MUCH IS THE SCHOLARSHIP? There are three types of scholarships:

- ✗ One Time Only Non-Renewable scholarships up to \$3,000.

- × Connecticut State University System awards one (\$500) renewable scholarship at each of its four state universities.
- × Connecticut Community College System offers one RENEWABLE full tuition and fee scholarship at each of the 12 community colleges.

If you apply for, but are not awarded a State University System Scholarship or a Community College System Scholarship, your application will AUTOMATICALLY be considered for the non-renewable scholarships and other special awards. www.gcyd.org www.dss.state.ct.us/svcs/rehab.htm

HISPANIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Application Deadline: FEBRUARY 15, 2008

HSF scholarship opportunities are available to graduating high school seniors who plan to enroll in college, community college students who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university, currently enrolled college students, and graduate and professional students.

Students must be of Hispanic heritage, be U.S. citizens or legal permanent residents, have a cumulative minimum grade point average of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale (or the equivalent) and apply for federal financial aid using the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FASFA). For more details about HSF scholarship programs and to download an application, please visit the HSF web site at www.hsf.net.

National Commission for Cooperative Education NATIONAL CO-OP SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Deadline: FEBRUARY 15, 2008

NATIONAL COMPETITION GUIDELINES & CRITERIA:

- × High school GPA of 3.5 (B+) or better.
- × Complete the National Co-op Scholarship Program application including a typed one-page essay describing why you have chosen to pursue a college cooperative education program.
- × National Co-op Scholarship Application deadline: February 15, 2008
- × Please apply online (www.co-op.edu)
- × The National Commission encourages minority and female students as well as students interested in science, mathematics, engineering and technology (SMET) to apply for this merit co-op scholarship.

Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) Scholarship Program

Deadline: February 15, Annually

Scholarship awards are given based on a student's demonstrated academic achievement, financial need and community involvement.

The RMHC Scholarship Program is comprised of 4 individual scholarship programs including:

- × RMHC/ASIA (Applicant must have at least one parent of Asian/Pacific-Islander heritage)
- × RMHC/ African American Future Achievers (Applicant must have at least one parent of African American or Black Caribbean heritage)
- × RMHC/HACER (Hispanic American Commitment to Educational Resources) Applicant must have at least one parent of Hispanic heritage
- × RMHC Scholars (ALL students can apply regardless of race, color, creed, religion, sexual orientation, gender, disability or national origin.)

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

To apply for a RMHC Scholarship, a student must:

- × Be a high school senior
- × Be younger than 21 years old
- × Be eligible to attend a two- or four-year college or university with a full course of study
- × Be a legal U.S. resident
- × Live in a participating local RMHC Chapter's geographic area
- × Submit a complete application and all required documentation by the deadline

METHOD ONE: APPLY ONLINE

Submit an application online. The access code needed on the application is RMHC. (<https://www.scholarshipadministrators.net/>)

METHOD TWO: APPLY BY MAIL

Download and print the Application (PDF)

(http://www.rmhc.org/file_download/5/RMHC_Scholarship_Application_2007_08.pdf)

If you need additional information regarding our scholarship program, please e-mail the RMHC global office at scholarships@us.mcd.com.

Three Rivers Community College

Dominion Nuclear Connecticut Millstone Power Station Engineering Technology Scholarship Program

Deadline 2/15 - annual scholarship

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS:

Dominion Nuclear Connecticut supports promising candidates for primarily Nuclear, but also Mechanical, Electrical and Environmental Engineering Technology programs at Three Rivers Community College with up to fifteen two-year scholarship awards, each of which includes:

- Tuition and fees | Books | Monthly stipend

Numerous factors are considered when selecting scholarship recipients. Outstanding achievement in a single area does not assure a scholarship award, nor does weakness in some area necessitate rejection. All factors are evaluated to develop a total picture of previous school and job performance to predict probability of success at Three Rivers.

Factors considered include:

- High School grade point average (especially in science and math courses) and class rank, as well as any post-secondary academic work.
- Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores, especially mathematics.
- Demonstrated skills, aptitudes or experience.
- Extracurricular activities.
- Written essay.
- Personal interview.

Download application: <http://www.trcc.comnet.edu/EngTechScholarships.htm>

Connecticut Association of Educational Office Professionals (CAEOP)

Deadline: 2/18/08

One \$750 scholarship have been established by the Connecticut Association of Educational Office Professionals (CAEOP) to encourage high school seniors to continue their educational careers in the **FIELD OF BUSINESS EDUCATION**, preferably as educational secretaries or administrative assistants.

CRITERIA:

1. Intention to pursue a business and/or secretarial career
2. Financial need
3. Scholastic ability
4. Extracurricular activity
5. Leadership
6. Civic involvement

Custom House Maritime Museum

New London Maritime Society, Inc.

Reid MacCluggage Black History Award

Deadline: February 29, 2008

Write an essay, short story, poem, play, movie script or Novella about the African-American experience in the maritime world for the chance to win a \$1,000 scholarship!

ELIGIBILITY: You must be a junior or senior in good standing at one of the following high schools to qualify: East Lyme, Grasso Tech., Fisher's Island, Fitch, Griswold, Ledyard, Lyme-Old Lyme, Montville, New London, NFA, Norwich Regional Tech., St. Bernard's, Williams School, Waterford and Wheeler.

FORMAT: You may enter an original essay, short story, novella, play, movie script or poem based on the theme: The African-American experience in the maritime world. There are no restrictions on the length or scope of your piece, but all entries must be typed and include a complete list of all primary and secondary research sources. Additionally, each entry must be accompanied by a cover page, stating the student's name, address and telephone number, as well as, the name of the high school he or she attends, and a brief abstract describing the intent/concept of the piece.

Due Date: All entries must be received at the Custom House Maritime Museum, 150 Bank Street, New London, CT 06320, by 5:00 PM on Feb. 29, 2008. If you mail your entry, it must be postmarked no later than February 28, 2008.

Awards: Following review by a panel of distinguished judges from the community a scholarship of \$1,000 will be awarded for the most outstanding entry and a \$500 savings bond for second place. The winner will be contacted directly, and will receive the awards at his or her high school awards night.

Contact: If you have any questions, please contact Cassie Blondel-Libaldi at 860-447-2501. E-mail: nl.maritime.society@snet.net

ATTENTION JUNIORS & SENIORS**National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association Student Athlete Scholarship Program****Deadline: 2/29/08****PURPOSE OF SCHOLARSHIP:**

The scholarships will recognize the distinguished scholastic, leadership and sportsmanship attributes of high school student athletes, and the importance of high school athletics in each student's life.

CRITERIA:

- Available to current juniors and seniors.
- Applicant must:
- have achieved at least two (2) of the following:
 - × (a) minimum of B+ average;
 - × (b) ranked in the top 25% of class;
 - × (c) ACT score of 24 or an SAT score of 1100 (Verbal and Math only)
 - have participated in two sports for two years in each sport
 - have earned at least one varsity letter in each of two sports
 - have a letter of recommendation from the high school athletic administrator/director
 - School athletic administrator/director must be an NIAAA member and a member of their respective state athletic administrators association
 - Submit participation information for grades 9-12 only

Note: Students participating in athletics at NCAA Division I or II schools may not be eligible.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS:

- × State winners One male and one female will receive a plaque recognizing them as state winners
- × NIAAA Section winners One male and one female will each receive a \$1,000 scholarship and a certificate recognizing them as section winners
- × National winners One male and one female will each receive a \$2,000 scholarship and a medallion recognizing them as national winners

NIAAA WEB SITE:

http://www2.niaaa.org/Scholarship_Program/About_the_Program.asp

APPLICATION: <http://www.caadinc.org/niaaascholarapplication.pdf>

TIME LINE: http://www2.niaaa.org/Scholarship_Program/Timeline.asp

MARCH
**Central Connecticut State University
Department of Music | Scholarship for Singers
CCSU University Singers 2008-2009**
Deadline: March 1, 2008

QUALIFICATIONS: Choral experience. Successful audition for University Singers. (vocal quality, sight reading ability, tonal memory, musical expressiveness.) Two (2) recommendations that attest to musical abilities and leadership.

REQUIREMENTS: Membership in University Singers each semester student is on scholarship. A 3.5 in University Singers and a 2.8 overall GPA required to remain on scholarship. A theory and/or sight singing course may be required. Leadership and organizational duties will be expected. This year a slight advantage will be given to applications from tenors!

FEATURES: Students receiving scholarship award will have half-tuition paid by the university for four years. Two awards will be given to incoming freshmen each year. Additional awards may be available for up to two transfer students.

APPLICATION: Applicants must first be admitted to CCSU a letter expressing interest in the school program, with two letters of recommendation, and a resume indicating musical experience should be submitted. www.music.ccsu.edu

**The Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of CT
Deadline: March 1, 2008**

Award: 3 - \$1,250

Criteria: Applicants do NOT need to be member of our Society or related to the Society in any way.

REQUIREMENTS:

- CT resident and a graduating senior of a CT secondary school, public or private
- You must have confirmed plans to attend a college or university (copy of letter of acceptance or copy of submitted applications).
- Academic achievement, extra-curricular involvement, community service and financial need will be considered in the review of each application.

Connecticut Alarm & Systems Integrators Association**Deadline: Friday, March 7, 2008**

CASIA is pleased to offer the 13th Annual Police/Fire Scholarship Awards to two high school seniors graduating in 2008. Connecticut's first prize will be \$1,000 and second prize \$500, along with a recognition plaque.

To be eligible, a student must fulfill the following requirements:

- The student must be at least 15 years of age, and not older than 20
- He or she must be a graduating senior in the Class of June 2008, who will receive a diploma from an accredited high school located in Connecticut.
- He or she must be accepted for admission to an accredited college or university matriculating in the Fall, 2008.
- Each eligible student must have a father, mother or natural guardian who is a full-time paid employee (not on disability or retired) of the Connecticut Police or Fire Communities. Volunteer fire department are recognized. However, students who are volunteers themselves, but not the child of a firefighter, are not eligible.
- An essay of 500-700 words based on the theme "what it means to ME to have my parent or guardian involved in securing our community.

Completed applications are to be submitted no later than Friday, March 7, 2008 to CASIA Scholarship Committee, PO Box 7230 | Wilton, CT 06897 | 203-762-2444 | Fax: 203-762-9211 | <http://www.casiact.org/> | email: premes@casiact.org

**Black Engineering Council of Electric Boat Corporation
Scholarship**
Deadline: 3/8/08

The Black Engineering Council (BEC) of Electric Boat will be awarding scholarships (totaling \$3,500) to qualified African-American students based on scholastic ability, letters of recommendation and a written essay.

The applicants are not required to demonstrate a financial need to specify other sources of financial aid.

Applicants must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- × Must be an African-American New London County High School Graduating Senior
- × Must attend any college or university in the Fall of 2008
- × Must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 (based on 4.0 scale)
- × SAT must be taken (no minimum score required)
- × **ESSAY:** write an essay of 250 words or more explaining "Building Bridges for Tomorrow." The essay must answer the following questions:
 - o How do your selected field of study reflect on "Building Bridges for Tomorrow"?
 - o What type of bridge do you want to build for tomorrow?

**Connecticut Building Congress Scholarship Fund, Inc.
Deadline: March 10, 2008**

The Connecticut Building Congress Scholarship Fund is offering scholarships to graduating Connecticut high school students entering college-level programs in ARCHITECTURE, ENGINEERING, CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT, SURVEYING, PLANNING or other courses of study leading to associate, baccalaureate, or masters degrees in the CONSTRUCTION FIELD.

The awards will be given for academic merit, extracurricular activities, potential and financial need. The scholarships may be renewable each year based on performance in school and available resources. Scholarships have ranged from \$500 to \$2,000 per year.

Applications are only accepted from Connecticut-resident students who will be studying CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY-related subjects in college.

E-mail: CTBldgCong@aol.com ~ Web site: www.cbc-ct.org ~ Member Services Download the Scholarship Application in Microsoft Word: http://www.cbc-ct.org/popups_folder/scholarship.html

**African-American Affairs Commission Scholarship
Youth of the Year Classic Award**
Deadline: March 14, 2008**CRITERIA:**

- × Connecticut - High School Senior / of African Heritage
- × Demonstrated academic excellence, leadership ability in both the community, as it relates to the development of the cultural, social and/or political well being of the African-American Community within the state of Connecticut

Additional Information or submission of Nomination Form: African-American Affairs commission, State Capitol – Room 509, Hartford, CT 06106-1591, Fax: 860-240-8444 or e-mail: aac@cga.ct.gov

Charter Oak Federal Credit Union Annual Scholarship Program

Deadline: March 14, 2008

Charter Oak's Annual Scholarship Program awards five (5) graduating high school seniors with \$1,000 to use for an accredited two-year or four-year college, technical, vocational, or business college. The must have demonstrated strong academic achievement and good citizenship. The award may be used for tuition, books, or living expenses while at college.

ELIGIBLE STUDENTS MUST:

- × be a Charter Oak member or the child or grandchild of a member or employee
- × Solid academic standing with a GPA of at least 2.5 or better
- × be strongly involved in extracurricular and community activities, and
- × acceptance to an accredited 2-year or 4-year college, or technical, vocational, or business college.

Westfield Corporation

Bruce Eagleson Memorial Scholarship Awards

Deadline: March 14, 2008

THE AWARD: 3/\$1,000 award.

ELIGIBILITY: The recipient must be a senior graduating from a CAS member high school and must be entering into higher education program leading to a degree in either the visual or performing arts.

THE CANDIDATE SHOULD:

- × Be highly accomplished in at least one branch of the arts, including, but not limited to, visual, music, theater, dance, design, architecture, and the like.
- × Have considerable experience in one of the arts as evidenced by involvement in shows, exhibits, performances, video productions, or the like.
- × Be involved in service to his/her peers and /or community through artistic or other activities.
- × Have financial need.
- × A statement of 250 words from the applicant on the following topic: "What led you to your decision to pursue a career in the arts?" Appropriate writing style is expected.

Mail completed applications to: Dr. Dennis Carrithers, The Connecticut Association of Schools, 30 Realty Drive, Cheshire, CT 06410

American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Connecticut Affiliate

Deadline: March 15 Annually

This scholarship program will award two \$1,000.00 scholarships to graduating CT high school seniors who meet the following requirements:

- × student will be enrolled in and attending a two or four year school of higher education
- × student will be majoring in a FCS related field of study
- × student will be majoring specifically in Family and Consumer Sciences Education.

Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) Fields of study include:

- × Family and Consumer Sciences Education
- × Early Childhood Education and Services (pre-school)
- × Family Economics and Resource Management
- × Food Science, Dietetics, Nutrition and Health
- × Food Production and Services
- × Hospitality, Tourism, and Recreation
- × Housing, Interiors and Furnishings
- × Human Development, Family Relations
- × Textiles and Apparel
- × Consumer and Family Resources

The scholarship recipients will be selected by a committee of AAFCS members based on the following criteria:

- × Biographical information
- × Essay which includes future goals and how they relate to FCS
- × Leadership
- × Character (2 letters of recommendation)
- × Academic Achievement (GPA) and SAT scores
- × Participation in extracurricular activities in community and school
- × Participation in Family and Consumer Sciences Courses

Any questions? Contact Rosalind Diemand- 860-628-3229 ext: 246

American Fire Sprinkler Association CT Chapter High School Scholarship Essay Contest

Deadline: March 15, 2008

We have created this scholarship fund as a method of education about the fire sprinkler industry while helping others with the burden of higher education expenses.

AWARD: 2 / \$1,000.00 scholarships

ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS: The essay contest is open to all current high school seniors who plan to enroll no later than the fall of 2008 in a full-time course of study at an accredited two or four year college, university or vocational-technical school.

ELIGIBLE ENTRIES: To be considered, all entrants must complete the application form and submit a written, double-spaced, essay of 700-1000 words (along with a bibliography) addressing the issue "The Misconceptions and Myths of Fire Sprinkler Systems". Entrants are encouraged to be original and creative. Contents, accuracy of information, and writing skills will be analyzed. An essay, a bibliography and a recommendation letter are required.

Dolphin Scholarship Foundation

Deadline: 3/15 – Annually

(<http://www.dolphinscholarship.org/>)

The Dolphin Scholarship Foundation sponsors over 130 on going scholarships funding over \$3,000 to each student. The recipients may receive a total of \$12,000 for up to four years of undergraduate study. Applicant may be high school senior or college student.

Scholarships for: Children/stepchildren, unmarried, under the age of 24 at time of deadline, of Navy submariners, Navy members who have served in submarine support activities.

ELIGIBILITY:

- × Applicant must be an unmarried high school senior, high school graduate, or college student under age 24.
- × Applicant must be the child or stepchild of one of the following:
 - × a member or former member of the U.S. Submarine Force who has qualified in submarines and served in the Submarine Force on active duty (at sea or ashore) for at least eight years.
 - × a member or former member of the U.S. Navy who has served on active duty in submarine support activities (e.g. submarine bases, tenders, and rescue vessels) for a minimum of ten years.
 - × a member who died on active duty while serving in the U.S. Submarine Force.
- × Sponsor's qualifying time must have been served on active duty; time served as a Naval Academy or NROTC Midshipman, in "Boot Camp", or as a member of the inactive or Selected Naval Reserve cannot be used to establish eligibility.

Visit the website to download the application:

<http://www.dolphinscholarship.org/Index.cfm?pageid=howtoapply>

CRITERIA: Applicant must attend a four year accredited college and intend to work toward a BS or BA degree. scholars@dolphinscholarship.org

LOWE'S SCHOLARSHIP

Building a Foundation for the Future

Deadline: March 15, 2008

AWARDS:

- × Three hundred fifty-two \$1,000 scholarships across the United States.
- × Twenty-two \$5,000 regional scholarships to the most outstanding applicant from each Lowe's US region.
- × One \$15,000 national grand prize scholarship to the best overall applicant.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The Lowe's Scholarship is open to all high school seniors who plan to attend any accredited 2-year or 4-year college or university within the United States. Winners are selected based on leadership qualities, community involvement and academic performance.

APPLICATIONS: Please apply here and use Access Key: LOWES.

(<https://www.scholarshipadministrators.net/IntroPage.asp>)

Employees and eligible dependents may apply here

(<https://www.scholarshipadministrators.net/IntroPage.asp>) for the Carl Buchan Scholarship using Access Key: LCBS.

William H. Chapman Foundation DEADLINE 1/1 - 3/15 TO REQUEST APPLICATION Application deadline is April 1, Annually

The William H. Chapman Foundation was chartered in 1951 for the purpose of providing financial assistance to scholars of New London County, CT for post secondary education in both academics and the trades. The Foundation was funded by the proceeds of the sale of the William H. Chapman Technical School, New London to the City of New London.

The Foundation presently provides awards ranging from \$500 to \$2,500 to an average of 100 students per year. Recipients are chosen on the basis of application (including financial and academic forms), academic performance and financial need (based on family income, size of family, number of college students and extenuating circumstances).

Students may reapply for a total of four annual awards. An interview is required for all new applicants. There are no age, sex, race, religious, high school, college or field of study requirements.

Those students desiring an application should write between January 1 and March 15 to: The William H. Chapman Foundation, PO Box 1321 New London, CT 06320

The letter should request an application and state:

1. Student's name
2. Home Address
3. Name of high school presently attending (or attended) and graduation date
4. Name of school presently attending (if applicable)
5. Name of school they will attend (if known) for application year.

CHAPMAN TECH ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Chapman Foundation also manages awards made by the Chapman Tech Alumni Association. Alumni awards are made to graduating high school seniors from New London County high schools. The student MUST be a direct descendent of a Chapman Tech graduate or attendee. Tech awards are not renewable.

Regional Multicultural Magnet School Foundation Richard Spindler-Virgin Scholarship Deadline: March 15, 2008

AWARD: 2 - \$1,000 Scholarships

CRITERIA:

- * Student must have graduated from RMMS and attended RMMS for a minimum of three years.
- * The scholarship award can be used for a program of two or four year college leading to a degree, or a certification program resulting in a state license.
- * Two awards will be made each year. One award will go to a New London student and one to a RMMS graduate living outside of New London.
- * Students attending public and private schools will be eligible to receive the awards.

In order to apply for the award students must:

- * be in their senior year of high school and graduating
- * complete the application form available on the foundation's website <http://rmmsfoundation.org/applicationsrv2.html>
- * Applications and guidelines are available on the website. <http://rmmsfoundation.org/instructionsrv2.html>

Connecticut Nurserymen's Foundation, Inc. Deadline: March 17, 2008

The Connecticut Nurserymen's Foundation, Inc. (CNF) will be awarding a: \$5,000 grant, per year - renewable for up to four years of study for a CT resident, graduating high school in the spring of 2008 OR a student currently enrolled at the college level, majoring in the field of Horticulture.

The applicant must be accepted in a course of study beneficial to the HORTICULTURAL INDUSTRY. This includes, but is not limited to: Ornamental Horticulture, Landscaping Design, Nursery Management and Greenhouse Management.

Students must be residents of the State of CT. The student may attend either an "instate" or "out of state" institution. Should the student attend UConn, the College of Agriculture offers an additional \$2,500 grant, per year to the CNF scholarship recipient. This is one of the most generous scholarship offerings in the state.

Additionally, a second student will be awarded the "new" Howard Jennings Scholarship. this is a one-time \$500 Scholarship for a CT student (high school or college) that has been accepted by UConn, majoring in plant science/horticulture.

- * The student awarded the grant will be expected to maintain a grade point average of "B".
- * A brief outline (approximately 150 words) stating the reasons for pursuing a course of study in Horticulture
- * The scholarship will be based on academic achievement, financial need, extra curricular and community activity.

DOWNLOAD APPLICATION: Visit www.flowersplantsinct.com and click on the key documents. Click on CNF Scholarship application to download.

CT Nurserymen's Foundation, Inc., 131 Hollister Street, Manchester, CT 06042 Phone: 860-643-8363 | Fax: 860-643-2778 | E-Mail: jmattson.negs@erols.com

Nathan Hale Branch of the Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution Deadline: March 28, 2008

AWARDS: There will be two \$750 scholarships

Scholarship awards contest for high school seniors attending a high school located in southeastern Connecticut. The SAR is a historical, educational, and patriotic non-profit, organization that seeks to maintain and extend:

- the institutions of American freedom
- an appreciation for true patriotism
- a respect for our national symbols
- the value of American citizenship
- the unifying force of e pluribus unum that has created, from the people of many nations, one nation and one people.

The contest is for an original researched and proven essay, which shall deal with an event, person, philosophy, or ideal associated with the American Revolution, the Declaration of Independence, or the framing of the United States Constitution. An essay (700 words and not exceed 1,000 words) highlighting Connecticut's role in any of these topics is preferred but not required. Students must source at least three (3) references with the minimum of 2 being book or non-internet based references.

If you have any questions, you can call Tyler Smith, during the day @ 401 223-1939. Email: tylersmith2958@sbcglobal.net

National Naval Officers Association New England Chapter 2008 Scholarship Awards Program Deadline: March 30, 2008

Each year the Chapter awards scholarships to minority youth from the area who have demonstrated academic achievement, financial need, and leadership in their community. Scholarship recipients MUST BE ELIGIBLE for a sea service officer program (Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps (NROTC), United States Naval Academy (USNA), or United States Coast Guard Academy (USCGA)).

Scholarship is a \$1,000 scholarship that is awarded to a graduating high school senior that's enrolled in an NJROTC or MCJROTC program at a high school in CT or has been accepted into a sea service officer program (NROTC, USNA, or USCGA) for 2008. Student must have a minimum high school GPA of 2.8.

Information about the National Naval Officers Association (NNOA) can be viewed and downloaded from: <http://nnoa.org>

The Associated General Contractors of Connecticut Deadline: 3/31/08

This is a two-year scholarship program with a total value of \$5,000 per recipient. The scholarship provides \$2,500 for their freshman and sophomore years for college tuition and two summers related work experience for on-the-job placement and hands on learning with an AGC contractor.

Applicants must be a graduating high school senior entering a 4-year building technology or civil engineering program as a freshman, or entering a two-year technical school with a construction course of study, with the intent of entering a four-year college upon completion of the technical school.

Additional information, call John B. Farnham at 860-529-6855 / or email: ccia@ctconstruciton.org.

CHOOSING A MAJOR & CAREER

Career Planning.....www.fastweb.com
 Monster (Job Search).....www.monster.com
 America's Career Infonet.....www.acinet.org
 Bureau of Labor Statistics.....stats.bls.gov
 Occupational Outlook Handbook.....www.bls.gov/oco

Association of Retired Teachers of Connecticut, Inc. Glenn Moon Scholarship Fund, Inc.

Deadline: 3/31/08

A. All graduates of CT high schools, public or private, are eligible, provided that it is their serious intention to **pursue a career in teaching in public or private schools.**

- × Candidates must be graduates of CT high schools; must be residents of CT, and must certify that they intend to pursue a TEACHING CAREER.
- × Candidates must demonstrate a positive financial need

B. Personal and educational qualifications will be evaluated in the following order:

- × Scholarship Record - transcript of grades from Grade 9 through the first semester of Grade 12; class standing, and SAT scores
- × Financial Need - explanation should be specific; include a statement by the parent regarding financial need
- × Character and personality - 3 letters of recommendation
- × Interests and educational activities - expressed in applicant's autobiography

C. The main scholarship award is \$2,000 for the first year. Additional awards of \$2,000 will be granted for each of the subsequent three years, provided all qualifications continue to be met. We will also present THREE on-time grants of \$1,500 each, thereby selecting and honoring FOUR different scholarship recipients. Thus: One scholarship for four years and three scholarships for one year each will be awarded.

Dunkin Donuts Scholarship

Deadline: March 31, 2008

ON LINE SCHOLARSHIP: <https://www.dunkindonuts.com/scholarship/>

The Dunkin' Donuts Scholarship is open to "well-rounded" High School Seniors from Connecticut, Rhode Island and in the following counties in Massachusetts: Bristol, Hamden, Hampshire or Franklin. You must demonstrate a positive academic record, leadership, commitment to school and community activities, and experience in a work environment to qualify for this award.

Award: \$1,000. Questions: dunkindonutsct@scholarshipamerica.org

APRIL

The William W. Backus Hospital Junior Volunteer Summer Program 2008

Deadline: April 1, Annually

This program is open to high school aged students 15 years old by June 1, 2008 and older; be self-motivated, mature and demonstrate an understanding of the professionalism needed to volunteer in a hospital setting. Accepted applicants commit to raining: 8 hours of classroom, plus 8 hours of shadow; time: one 8-hour day per week and not be away more than two weeks throughout the summer months.

For additional information and to download an application visit:
http://www.backushospital.org/employment/jr_volunteer.html

CT Department of Higher Education Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship Program

Deadline: April 1, 2008

The Byrd Scholarships will be awarded to selected high school seniors for full-time study at colleges located in the United States.

Grant Amounts for 2008-2009: are anticipated to be \$1,500, the same as they were for 2007-2008. Awards are renewable contingent upon federal funding.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AN APPLICANT MUST:

- × be a legal resident of Connecticut;
- × be a U.S. citizen or a permanent resident alien, or a national;
- × receive a secondary school diploma in June 2008, and;
- × rank in the top 2 percent of his or her class, or
- × have a combined score of 2100 or better on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT); or
- × a minimum ACT score of 32
- × submit a completed application form by April 1, 2008 to the Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship Program, c/o the Connecticut Department of Higher Education, 61 Woodland Street, Hartford, CT 06105-2326. CT Dept of Higher Education: <http://www.ctdhe.org/>

Download Application: <http://www.ctdhe.org/SFA/pdfs/ByrdScholarship.pdf>

MONTVILLE HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

Deadline: April 11, 2008

This one application is all that is required to be eligible for a wide variety of school & local community Scholarships and awards.

ALL Seniors are strongly encouraged to complete this application.

Stop by the Career Resource Center and pick up your application today. The application is also available to download: Adobe PDF Format or in Microsoft Word

Applications must be returned to Dr. Phillips in the School Counseling Office by no later than Friday, 4/11/08.

New London County Association of Retired Teachers & Leona Comstock Scholarships

Deadline: 4/18/08

Two scholarships will be awarded.

1. New London County Association of Retired Teachers Scholarship of \$1,500 for one year.
2. Leona Comstock Scholarship of \$500 for one year.

To be eligible:

- a. A student must plan to enter the teaching profession
- b. A student must attend an accredited four-year college
- c. A student must file only ONE application for BOTH scholarships.
The top student will receive the New London County Association of retired Teachers Scholarship and the runner-up will receive the Leona Comstock Scholarship.

The Scholarship winners will be notified by telephone with a follow-up letter. Guidance Departments will also receive notifications. Each applicant is to file only ONE application and they will be considered for both scholarships.

SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDENT WITH PARENT WORKING IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION

In addition to our scholarships (listed above), we are offering a New London County Association of Retired Teachers Award of \$500 for a **non-financial need student** with outstanding academic achievement who has a **parent or guardian working in the field of education.**

In order to be eligible for this award the following requirements must

be met:

- × A student must plan to enter the **Teaching Profession**
- × A student must attend an accredited four-year college
- × A student must have a parent/guardian working in the field of education.

Connecticut State University System Foundation

Deadline: April 30, 2008

The following scholarships are being offered through the CT State Univ. System Foundation to graduating high school seniors who have been accepted to one of the universities in the CSU System for the Fall of 2008 semester.

- × **Ted Martocchio Scholarship** (Building and Trades Union)
Cash Award: up to \$2,000
Criteria: GPA 2.75 minimum, Leadership or examples of volunteer work, resident of Connecticut, accepted full time to ANY of the four universities (CCSU, ECSU, SCSU or WCSU) within the CT State Univ. System for Fall 2008, Must be a child of Building and Trades Union member. Students with diverse interests will have preference. No specific major is required. Demonstrated financial need
- × **Pratt and Whitney Science and Technology Scholarship**
Cash Award: \$1,000
University: Eastern Connecticut State University
Criteria: GPA 3.0 minimum, demonstrated interest and/or examples of excellence in science or technology in high school, resident of Connecticut, accepted to ECSU full time for Fall 2008, Demonstrated financial need
- × **T. Clark Hull Public Service Scholarship**
Cash Award: \$500 – one award
University: Southern Connecticut State University
Criteria: GPA 3.0 minimum, demonstrated leadership and commitment to service to their high school and/or community, resident of Connecticut, accepted to SCSU for Fall 2008. Financial need must be demonstrated.

Website at www.csusystemfoundation.org. Or please feel free to contact Susan Matterazzo at 860-493-0099.

Williams Memorial Institute Alumnae Association Pre-1955 Scholarship Deadline: 4/30 Annually

The Williams Memorial Institute, pre-1955 Alumnae Association is offering 3 scholarships of \$1,000.00 each to be presented in June 2008.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- ✧ An applicant shall be a direct descendant of a Williams Memorial Institute Pre-1955 Alumna.*
(* Alumna in this context refers to a graduate or former student.)
- ✧ An applicant shall be a graduating senior of any New London County or out of state high school, entering a degree granting institution of higher learning as a full-time student, immediately following graduation.

Completed application, letters of recommendation and your personal letter should be mailed to: Alama Ruggiero, Chairman, Williams Memorial Institute Alumnae, Association Pre-1955 Scholarship Committee, 76 Boomingdale Road, Quaker Hill, CT 06375 Additional Information: 443-5602

MAY

MHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

DEADLINE: MAY 2, 2008

THERE ARE TWO AWARDS

1. **MHSAA Scholarship - \$500:** will be made to a graduating senior of Montville High School, planning to continue his/her education in an accredited two or four year, technical college, university or post-secondary institution.
2. **MHS Alumni Parent Scholarship - \$750:** will be made to a son or daughter of an MHS alumnus, graduating from any accredited high school, planning to continue his/her education in an accredited two or four year, technical college, university or post-secondary institution.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION:

- Two letters of recommendation from adults that are not related to the applicant.
- Essay: not to exceed 500 words - Topic: "Your hope for the Future of your Alma Mater"
- An official copy of applicant's high school transcript with SAT scores (maybe submitted without SAT scores if the institutions applied to, does not require them.)

Download the application by visiting the May web page of the Counseling & Career Scholarship Web Site.

Christopher Potvin Scholar Athlete-Fund 2007 \$1,000 Scholarship Award

Deadline: 5/3/08

In 1987, a young teenage boy, Christopher Potvin, was killed in an automobile accident. This young boy was both a good student and an outstanding athlete. Each year the Fund gives numerous \$1,000 scholarships (20 last year) based on the fundraising totals of the previous year. The scholarships are for \$1,000 each.

INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS:

The Scholar Athlete Fund is looking for applicants who possess the same qualities as Christopher.

An applicant must have been an active participant in one or more varsity sports to be eligible.

The applicant must be an excellent athlete, a person of great character, a good student, and someone who is admired by his peers and elders.

Letters of endorsement from someone who has an athletic influence in your life (preferably a coach) and from the guidance department/faculty shall accompany the application. Other letters (not to exceed three) from persons not related to the applicant may also accompany the application. These letters should relate to community involvement or outstanding recognition, etc.

An official high school transcript shall accompany the application or be sent directly by the high school to the address below. The transcript completes this application for the scholarship award.

The completed application and high school transcript shall each be postmarked no later than May 3, 2008, or hand-delivered by 6:00 PM on May 5, 2008 to: Mr. Wayne Potvin | 94 Driscoll Drive | Uncasville, CT 06382 (860)-848-3643 | wlpotvin@yahoo.com | <http://www.chrispotvinfund.com/>

Humane Society Of The United States Shaw-Worth Memorial Scholarship Deadline: 5/15 Annually

Each year the scholarship is awarded to a New England high school senior who has made a meaningful contribution to ANIMAL PROTECTION over a significant period of time. The award consists of tuition assistance in the amount of \$2,000.00, which is payable to the college of the recipient's choice.

Actions meriting the award may include long-term, direct work on behalf of animals; inspiring leadership in animal protection organizations; papers, speeches, or presentations on humane topics; or heroic rescues of animals in danger. A humane attitude, understanding of humane ethics and past performance on behalf of animals are essential. A passive liking for animals or the mere desire to enter an animal care field does not justify the award. High scholastic standing is not a requisite for this scholarship; please do not include academic transcript in the application. Financial need is also not a consideration.

Applications may be submitted by any Class of 2008 high school senior to The Humane Society of the United States, New England Regional Office, PO Box 619, Jacksonville, Vermont 05342, postmarked by March 15, 2008. There is no standardized application form to complete.

Applications should be written in letter form and should include a narrative of the student's achievements in animal protection, as well as a discussion of his or her attitude toward animals. Documentation of the activities cited, recommendations from at least three people, and a description of future plans for humane work are required. Supporting letters from teachers, mentors, supervisor, peers and other observers are also helpful. In addition, applications should include the student's home address and phone number.

If you would like more information about the Shaw-Worth Memorial Scholarship, please contact the HSUS New England Regional Office at (802) 368-2790 or via e-mail at nero@hsus.org | <http://www.hsus.org/>

The Historically Black College Alumni, Inc. Morrill Scholarship Application

Deadline: May 26

The Historically Black College Alumni, Inc. Morrill Scholarship is based solely on the students scholastic ability, intellectual potential and personal integrity.

The applicants are not required to demonstrate a financial need or specify other sources of financial aid. The scholarship will be distributed directly to the award recipient.

All New London County High School seniors meeting the following requirements are eligible for the award: Applicants must

- ✧ be accepted to an accredited four-year College or University.
- ✧ minimum G.P.A. of 2.5 based on a 4.0 scale (C+ average).

Additional Information & to download application visit:

http://www.geocities.com/hbca_nl/morrill_app.doc

JUNE

The Thomas P. Quinn Scholarship Fund Deadline: June 15, Annually

Awards can be in the range of \$2,000 - \$4,000.

Please don't hesitate to apply.

Awards are made to any resident of New London County who will be attending a four-year college in the next academic year.

For further information on how to apply - Pick up an application in the Career Resource Center.

ATTENTION JUNIORS

The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Trust Fund

Greater New London County

Deadline: June 30, Annually

This scholarship is an annual award in the amount of \$20,000, and the number of scholarships granted yearly is determined by its board of trustees.

All Southeastern Connecticut African-American students who are in their junior year of high school are eligible to apply. The students must exemplify Dr. King's spirit by living their lives in pursuit of Dr. King's goals.

The qualifications are: Achievement in the community, Academics, Citizenship, Written response to an essay question, and the need for financial assistance.

Questions/applications: Call Dr. James R. Vest - 860-442-2819.

UNIVERSITY PROGRAMS

[.montvilleschools.org/highschool/Guidance/News/College_University_Programs.htm](http://montvilleschools.org/highschool/Guidance/News/College_University_Programs.htm)

STRONG – CT

*Science & Technology Reaching Out to
New Generations in CT*

<http://www.strongct.uconn.edu/>

Future students: Are you interested in the life sciences?

Do you plan to attend begin your college career at UConn, or one of the following Community Colleges – Manchester Community College, Three Rivers Community College, or Quinebaug Community College?

Are you the first in your family to go to college or are you from a historically underrepresented group? (*We are targeting first generation students (students whose parents did not graduate from college) and African- American and Latino/a students, who often begin higher education at community colleges.*)

If so, the STRONG-CT – Science and Technology Reaching Out to New Generations in Connecticut may be the program that supports you as you pursue your academic goals.

For further information visit <http://www.strongct.uconn.edu/> or see your counselor.

Three Rivers Community College

GUARANTEED ADMISSIONS PROGRAM

Three Rivers Community College is now offering additional majors for the Guaranteed Admission Program with the University of Connecticut. In addition to Liberal Arts & Sciences (includes 40 majors), students can now be offered guaranteed admission in the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources and the College of Technology. If you have questions, please contact: Dan Zaneski, Director of Admissions, at 892-5748 or Amy Rozek, Associate Director of Admissions, at 892-5722. www.myagnr.uconn.edu

Three Rivers Community College

TLC PROGRAM

Project TLC (Technology Learning Community) is a unique program offered exclusively at Three Rivers Community College and is funded by the National Science Foundation.

Project TLC is a learning community for students in two-year associate degree programs in the fields of engineering technology. TLC students will study together in classes taught by dedicated TLC staff and other faculty that have been trained in TLC principles and methodology. Throughout the experience, students will be mentored exclusively by a technology advisor to ensure they make full use of various support services.

Students will also participate in a paid Summer Institute to prepare for the college experience. Project TLC offers support to foster self-confidence, and ultimately, to assure student success, as participants progress from the community college to either a four-year institution or the workplace. This program will benefit students who are on the fence about college. Perhaps they feel limited financially or academically. Project TLC is for this student!

For more information, contact Jodi Calvert, Project TLC Recruiter/Advisor, 860-885-2611 | e-mail: jcalvert@trcc.commet.edu.

UCONN MENTOR CONNECTION

NEAG Center for Gifted Education & Talent Development
July 7-25, 2008

UCONN Mentor Connection is:

- ✧ An opportunity for students to participate in hands-on research projects that offer mentor-based involvement with eminent university faculty who share similar interests.
- ✧ A community of young scholars working together on important projects that are on the cutting edge of various fields of study in the arts and sciences.
- ✧ An annual, three-week, residential summer program at the University of Connecticut for academically talented high school juniors and seniors.

Participants will:

- ✧ Take on the role of the practicing professional.
- ✧ Experience real-world problem solving
- ✧ Develop a collaborative relationship with a researcher in their area of interest
- ✧ Enhance awareness of talent areas and career opportunities
- ✧ Interact with students who share common interests
- ✧ Experience college life and the nature of research in a selected field

To learn more about the UCONN Mentor Connection visit our website www.gifted.uconn.edu to sent an email or call us at 860-486-0283

ATTENTION SOPHOMORES & JUNIORS

**University of Connecticut - School of Engineering
Engineering 2000 Summer Residential Experience –
June 22 through June 27, 2008**

Deadline: April 11, 2008

The School of Engineering offers twelve programs leading to a Bachelor of Science in the fields of: Biomedical Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Computer Engineering, Computer Science, Computer Science & Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Engineering Physics, Environmental Engineering, Management & Engineering for Manufacturing, Mechanical Engineering, Materials Science & Engineering.

This one-week residential Engineering program for high school sophomores and juniors will provide an opportunity to learn what engineers do in each field. Equally important, we can provide you with an opportunity to focus on a particular major by attending special evening Young Engineering Scholars Science Program (YESS) activities.

E2K participants are nominated by their high school math, science, or technology teachers. Enrollment is restricted to 80 students.

These students receive:

- Free room and board
- Instruction from full-time faculty
- Mentoring and coaching from college continuing engineering students
- Access to state-of-the-art research area
- Access to our Engineering Learning Center

There is a \$400 fee to attend this program, which covers project material, and supply costs. If you elect to attend UConn's School of Engineering, the \$400 will be returned to you as a scholarship during your first semester.

Marty Wood, Assistant Dean for Undergraduate Education, School of Engineering, Tel: 860-486-5466 Email: marty@enr.uconn.edu | Web Page: <http://www.enr.uconn.edu/soe.php?pld=enr2k>

Washington Workshops Foundation 2008 Washington Internship Experience

The workshops are unique and rewarding study seminars in Washington, DC for high school students from across the country.

The workshop arranges the congressional Internships on Capitol Hill or politically related office assignments. The program can be taken in 3-week or longer segments starting June 15 extending through July 26. Participation in the seminar may satisfy service learning or community service requirements for high school graduation.

Interested students should apply in a timely fashion. Please call 1-800-368-5688 (www.workshops.org) if you have any questions or need additional information.

Capitol Region Education Council Center for Creative Youth

**2008 Summer Residency in the Arts at Wesleyan University
June 29 – August 2**

The Center for Creative Youth (CCY), a summer pre-college program, offers talented high school students five weeks of intensive study in the arts at Wesleyan University, one of the country's most distinguished liberal arts colleges. CCY, a program of the Capitol Region Education Council which is sponsored by and in collaboration with Wesleyan's Graduate Liberal Studies Program and Wesleyan's Center for the Arts, emphasizes multicultural and interdisciplinary learning, critical thinking and leadership. Each class is designed to enhance students' problem-solving skills in instrumental and vocal music, theater, musical theater, technical theater, creative writing, dance, filmmaking and visual arts, which includes photography.

Center for Creative Youth
Winter Office: 15 Vernon Street / Hartford, CT 06106
(860) 757-6391 / Fax: (860) 757-6377 | ccy@crec.org

Summer Office: Wesleyan University / Middletown, CT 06459
(860) 685-3307 / Fax: (860) 685-3311 | ccy@crec.org

**OPEN HOUSE / CAREER DAYS
COLLEGE FAIRS / WORKSHOPS**

www.montvilleschools.org/highschool/Guidance/News/Open_House_College_Fairs.htm

**Hartford Conservatory, Hartford, CT
Open House & Audition Information
Monday, Feb. 25 & April 21**

Highlights:

- ✧ Sample music, dance and music theater classes
- ✧ Chat with students, faculty and staff.
- ✧ Tour classrooms, recording studios, and dance facilities
- ✧ Learn about campus life, housing and financial aid opportunities.

Audition Information: Auditions are scheduled after we receive initial applications materials.

More information: 860-246-2588 - www.hartfordconservatory.org

**Disability Resource Center
Southern CT State University
Transition To College Workshop for
High School Students with Disabilities
Saturday, March 1, 2008 - 8:30AM-11:00AM**

This workshop will provide in-depth information about the services and supports available to students with disabilities at Southern. Get answers to questions regarding Southern's admissions process and documentation requirements. A panel of college students, with a range of disabilities, will share their own transition stories and pass along tips that helped them to make their transition to college a smooth one. For those interested, a one-hour demonstration on assistive technology will take place at 11:00 in the Center for Adaptive Technology.

Registration Deadline Monday, February 25, 2008
Phone: 203-392-6828, TTY: 392-6131, Fax: 392-6829, Email:
Tuckers1@southernct.edu

NATIONAL COLLEGE FAIRS

National Association for College Admission Counseling
Connecticut Expo Center, Hartford, CT
Thursday, April 3 – 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM / 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM
Friday, April 4 – 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM
www.nacacnet.org/NCF

**Historically Black College Alumni, Inc.
Black College Bus Tour
April 14-19, 2008**

The purpose of the tour is to promote higher education with an emphasis on Historically Black Colleges & Universities. This program helps to inform students on the various options available to them after high school.

Students must submit an application, school transcript and two letters of recommendation from a school administrator and complete an interview. Any high school student completing the application process is eligible. The college tour includes 3 mandatory workshops.

PRE TOUR WORKSHOPS: Financial Aid Workshop, Local College Fair, Armed Services Seminar, Tour Preparation Workshop, Parent Orientation

TOURS: Morgan State University, Howard University, Hampton University, Norfolk University, Virginia State University, Virginia Union University

6 days, 5 colleges, 3 workshops, Chartered Coach Transportation and Hotel accommodations are included in the cost. (\$280.00)

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INFORMATION ABOUT FINANCIAL AID

American Legion – Need a Lift –

College Financial Aid Handbook.....<http://www.needalift.org/>

FastWeb's College Gold.....www.collegegold.org

Federal Student Aid for Students.....studentaid.ed.gov

FinAid.....www.finaid.org

Mapping Your Future.....www.mapping-your-future.org

Project Scholarship Scam.....www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams

Taxes for Students.....www.irs.gov/individuals/students

SOURCES OF AID

Scholarship Search.....www.fastweb.com
AmeriCorps.....www.americorps.org
CSS/PROFILE.....profileonline.collegeboard.com
Direct Loans.....www.ed.gov/directloan
FAFSA (Free App. for Federal Student Aid).....www.fafsa.ed.gov
FAFSA PIN.....www.pin.ed.gov
Resources by State.....www.finaid.org/otheraid/state.phtml

COLLEGE TESTING PROGRAMS

www.montvilleschools.org/highschool/Guidance/News/College_Testing_Programs.html

ACT 2007–2008 Registration Dates

<http://www.actstudent.org/regist/currentdates.html>

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Fee
2/9/08	1/4/08 MHS Test Center Code: 222929	1/5–18/08
4/12/08	3/7/08	3/8–21/08

SAT 2007-2008

Test Dates & Registration Deadlines

<http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/sat/calenefees.html>

Test Dates	Test	Registration Deadlines *	
		Regular	Late fee
3/1/08	SAT only	1/29/08	2/7/08
5/3/08	SAT & Subject Tests	4/1/08	4/10/08
6/7/08	SAT & Subject Tests	5/6/08	5/15/08



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There are many job opportunities in the healthcare field and the demand is continuing to increase. Healthcare Professionals can work in a variety of setting including individual and group practices, hospitals or long-term care facilities, as well as, work in a community-based practice such as community health centers, school-based health centers or local health departments.

A career in healthcare offers many rewards. Salaries and family benefit packages are competitive. Healthcare professionals have a direct impact on the lives of individuals to whom they provide services. They serve individuals and families of diverse populations, provide education and preventive healthcare practices, provide life-saving interventions and care, or may choose to work with those individuals with chronic or progressive illnesses. Healthcare professionals serve as role models for children and the community.

Perhaps the most attractive reward for working in community-based practice settings is being able to qualify for financial assistance through the:

- ✧ Connecticut State Loan Repayment Program
www.dph.state.ct.us/BCH/Family%20Health/SLRP/slrp_home.htm
- ✧ National Health Service Corps
<http://nhsc.bhpr.hrsa.gov/>
- ✧ Nursing Education Loan Repayment Program
<http://bhpr.hrsa.gov/nursing/loanrepay.htm>

OTHER WEBSITES:

- ✧ CT Depart of Public Health www.dph.state.ct.us
- ✧ CT Office of Oral Public Health www.dph.state.ct.us/bch/oralhealth
- ✧ CT Office of Local Health www.han.ct.gov/local_health
- ✧ CT Primary Care Association www.ctpca.org

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WRITING THE SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY

Kay Peterson, Ph.D.

The personal essay. It's the hardest part of your scholarship application. But it's also the part of the application where the 'real you' can shine through. Make a hit with these tips from scholarship providers:

- ✗ **Think before you write.** Brainstorm to generate some good ideas and then create an outline to help you get going.
- ✗ **Be original.** The judges may be asked to review hundreds of essays. It's your job to make your essay stand out from the rest. So be creative in your answers.
- ✗ **Show, don't tell.** Use stories, examples and anecdotes to individualize your essay and demonstrate the point you want to make. By using specifics, you'll avoid vagueness and generalities and make a stronger impression.
- ✗ **Develop a theme.** Don't simply list all your achievements. Decide on a theme you want to convey that sums up the impression you want to make. Write about experiences that develop that theme.
- ✗ **Know your audience.** Personal essays are not "one size fits all." Write a new essay for each application—one that fits the interests and requirements of that scholarship organization. You're asking to be selected as the representative for that group. The essay is your chance to show how you are the ideal representative.
- ✗ **Submit an essay that is neat and readable.** Make sure your essay is neatly typed, and that there is a lot of white space on the page. Double-space the essay, and provide adequate margins (1"-1 1/2") on all sides.
- ✗ **Make sure your essay is well written.** Proofread carefully, check spelling and grammar and share your essay with friends or teachers. Another pair of eyes can catch errors you might miss.



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www.collegetoolkit.com/Guides/Financial-Aid/resGlossary.aspx#F_Financial_Aid_Package

FINANCIAL NEED

As measured by the federal government, need equals **COA (Cost of Attendance)** minus the **EFC (Expected Family Contribution)**. Need is used to determine the **financial aid package** for which the student qualifies. The definition of financial need may vary from organization to organization.

COST OF ATTENDANCE (COA)

The total amount it will cost a student to attend a school generally expressed as a yearly figure. The COA, as required by law, includes:

- Tuition and fees
- On-campus room and board or a housing and food allowance for off-campus students
- Allowances for books, supplies, transportation, and loan fees
 - Dependent care
 - Costs related to a disability
 - Miscellaneous expenses, including an allowance for the rental or purchase of a personal computer
 - Reasonable costs for eligible study-abroad programs. * If applicable

For part-time students, the COA includes only tuition and fees and an allowance for books, supplies, transportation, and dependent-care expenses. Talk to the financial aid administrator at the school you are planning to attend if you have any expenses not listed above that might affect your cost of attendance.

- Estimate what college will cost when you enroll using the **Cost of College Calculator**. <http://www.collegetoolkit.com/College-Calculators/resCalcLoan.aspx>
- Budget for non-tuition costs with the **College Expense Worksheet**. <http://www.collegetoolkit.com/College-Calculators/resCalcExp.aspx>

EXPECTED FAMILY CONTRIBUTION (EFC)

An estimate of the parents' and/or student's ability to contribute to post-secondary educational expenses.

- Use our EFC Calculator to get a ballpark estimate of your expected family contribution based on the federal methodology. <http://www.collegetoolkit.com/College-Calculators/resCalcEFC.aspx>

FINANCIAL AID PACKAGE

Total amount of financial aid from a student receives from any source. The school financial aid administrator combines various forms of aid into the package to help meet a student's need. Due to limited funds, a financial aid package might fall short of the amount a student is eligible for. Also, note that the amount of federal student aid received is affected by other sources of aid awarded.

Compare your financial aid award packages side-by-side using our **Financial Aid Award Evaluator**.

<http://www.collegetoolkit.com/College-Calculators/resCalcEval.aspx>



Financial Aid

FINANCIAL AID QUESTIONS TO ASK COLLEGES

Understanding the financial aid process can be hard, and you may not know where to turn for answers. The financial aid officers at colleges and universities are there to help.

Following are some questions the Associated Colleges of the Midwest suggests families ask:

1. What kind of financial assistance does the college offer: need-based, merit-based or both?
2. Can the college provide an early estimate of what our financial aid award might be?
3. What forms are needed in order to apply?
4. When are financial aid applications due?
5. What costs for a student are taken into account by the financial aid office? Tuition, room, board, transportation? What about additional expenses such as books, fees, computers and personal expenses?
6. What is included in the comprehensive fee? For example, do students have to pay extra for computer time or to attend campus events (concerts, plays, films, lectures, athletic events, etc.)?
7. When will we be notified about the amount of assistance we can expect?
8. Does the institution have an appeal process to review special circumstances?
9. Is there a commitment for financial assistance beyond the first year?
10. How and when do we apply for financial assistance after the first year?
11. What if we do not qualify for need-based aid? Are there alternative financing options available?
12. What grants, loans and work-study opportunities does the college offer? Are there any we might be eligible for?
13. What is the average student loan indebtedness of the college's graduates?
14. Is there a restriction to the length of time that financial assistance will continue?
15. How long does it typically take a student to graduate from this college? Four years? Longer?
16. What impact do scholarships from outside sources have on other financial aid?
17. Can we apply financial aid toward an off-campus study program, either in the U.S. or another country?
18. What happens if our family's financial situation changes substantially during the school year?
19. Are there payment options available, such as monthly or quarterly?



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Understanding Your Financial Aid Award Letter

Use this example as a guide to your financial aid award letter. Please contact your prospective college's aid office if you have questions.

Cost of Attendance (COA): The total expenses (tuition, fees, etc.) of one year's education. Your school may also include indirect costs (books, room and board, transportation, personal expenses, etc.). Our example includes both.	Expenses (COA) Tuition \$5,334 Health Fees 176 Books/Supplies 1,015 Room/Board 3,204 Personal 2,600 Transportation + 910 Total Expenses: \$13,239	Resources (EFC) Family's Resources Parent's Contribution: From Earnings: \$3,000 From Assets: 112 Student's Contribution: 500 Other Resources: + 0 Total Resources: \$3,612	Expected Family Contribution (EFC): Amount your family is expected to give per year, determined by FAFSA results (e.g., EFC is \$3,612 [3,000+112+500]). The amount you end up actually paying could differ from the EFC, depending on what resources are available at your college.
	COA (\$13,239) - EFC (\$3,612) =		
		Financial Need (\$9,627)	

	Accept	Decline	FALL	SPRING	TOTAL		
Awarded Financial Aid	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Federal Pell Grant	\$625	\$625	\$1,250	Financial Aid Award: Notice the choice to accept or decline each award. This award letter consists of: - Federal Pell Grant (free money) - Federal Stafford Loan (student repays) - Federal PLUS Loan (parent repays)
	Total Federal Pell Grant = \$1,250						
Aid	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Direct Stafford Loan	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	2,000	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Direct PLUS (Parent) Loan	\$1,938.50	\$1,938.50	+ 3,877	
Total Federal Direct Student Loans = \$5,877							
Total Financial Aid Package Offered (grants + loans) = \$7,127							

COA	Total Cost of Attendance	\$13,239
- EFC	EFC	- 3,612
- Financial Aid	Total Awarded Financial Aid	- 7,127
Unmet Need	UNMET NEED	\$2,500

Unmet Need: Unmet need is equal to COA less the total of EFC and total aid amount. Our example indicates that the financial aid matches the student's need, so the unmet need is \$2,500.

FastTip: You can choose to accept or decline any part of your financial aid package.

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Comparing Financial Aid Award Letters

You may receive award letters from different colleges. Keep the following in mind when making your final decision:

Look carefully at your award letters: Letters from different schools will probably have their figures and costs in different formats. Compare award letters to see how their offers measure up. Ask if outside scholarships will affect your aid.

Compare loan offers: Interest rates, how interest compounds, repayment terms and cancellation provisions can vary widely from loan to loan.

Compare affordability of aid offers over time: Ask how your financial aid package will change over time. The aid package made available to you in your senior year may look very different from the one you were offered freshman year.

Look beyond the "sticker price": The school with the lowest cost of attendance may not be the most affordable. The amount and type of aid offered will influence affordability.

Don't accept an offer just because it has the lowest "unmet need": You may save more by accepting an offer with a higher unmet need, if the aid package offers scholarships, grants and work-study instead of loans.

Compare like terms: How do the schools determine cost of attendance? Do they all include direct costs as well as indirect costs? How do they handle outside scholarships? What work-study options are available? What are wages like? Can you substitute work for a loan?